

Proclamation Presented

In Recognition of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and the Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. is dedicated to helping children, who have been diagnosed with cancer and are undergoing treatment for cancer; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and the Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. goals are to:

- Build self-esteem by offering programs and services that focus on building self-confidence that cancer may take away;
- Increase public awareness of Childhood Cancer nationwide sponsors events and activities that increases the public's awareness about childhood cancer;
- Give our special children the recognition they deserve to help them cope with their illness;
- Strengthen family support by instilling the importance of a family support system and working to support the role of the family in cancer treatment and recovery; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and the Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. understands the importance of having children undergoing treatment to feel special; their specialized patient service programs include hospital entertainment – hosting parties, face-painting and musical entertainment at the hospital; an arts and crafts program – in which children have the chance to partake in various arts and crafts activities both in and out of the hospital; and the Magical Caps for Kids program – incorporating community involvement in providing caps for young patients; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and the Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. recognizes Childhood Cancer Awareness Month throughout the month of September, to honor the determination and bravery of the children battling childhood cancer;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2011 as

"CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to support the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and the Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. and its efforts in raising awareness about childhood cancer.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eighth day of August, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

RRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i